

FORM PTO-1390 (Modified) U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (REV. 12-2004)		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER B&B-136	
TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/549765	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/DE2004/000452	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 9 MARCH 2004 (09.03.2004)	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 21 MARCH 2003 (21.03.2003)	
TITLE OF INVENTION PRODUCTION METHOD FOR AN ABSORBENT FIBER PRODUCT AND CORRESPONDING ABSORBENT FIBER PRODUCT			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US SAUERESSIG, Kilian			
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below. 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). 10. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). 11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409). 12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210). 			
Items 13 to 23 below concern document(s) or information included:			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 15. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 17. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. 20. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 21. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 22. <input type="checkbox"/> Express Mail Label No. 23. <input type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: 			
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24. The following fees are submitted:								
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a) Basic national fee \$300.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b) Examination fee \$200.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c) Search fee \$500.00			TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$1000.00					
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.								
Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole)		RATE				
- 100 =	/50 =			x	\$			
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).								
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE					
Total claims	20	- 20 = 0	x	\$50.00	\$ 0.00			
Independent claims	2	- 3 = 0	x	\$200.00	\$ 0.00			
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable)			<input type="checkbox"/>	+	\$ 0.00			
			TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$ 1,000.00					
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.								
SUBTOTAL = \$ 1,000.00								
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).								
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = \$ 1,000.00								
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property + \$ 0.00								
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = \$ 1,000.00								
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a. <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. <u>03-3975</u> in the amount of <u>\$1,000.00</u> to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is _____. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>03-3975</u> . A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.								
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.								
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CERTIFICATE OF TRANSLATION

I, Svenja Skaalum, translator, residing and domiciled at Schmidgasse 8, 6300 Zug, Switzerland, being fluent in the German and English languages, solemnly declare that the attached English language document, namely, PCT/DE2004/000452, is a true and accurate translation of the German language original.

AND I HAVE SIGNED THIS 1 DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2005,



Svenja Skaalum